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PATENT Attorney Docket No. 05225.0260

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	pplication of:	)	,		
Hideki YOSHIDA et al.			Group Art Unit: 2186		
Application No.: 10/779,738			Examiner: Sheng Jen TSAI		
Filed:	February 18, 2004	)			
For:	STORAGE APPARATUS AND AREA ALLOCATION METHOD	)	Confirmation No.: 9440		

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of February 26, 2007. The items checked below are appropriate:

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additio Fee	
Total	9	-	20	0	x \$ 50	\$	0
Indep.	6	-	3	3	x \$200		600
First	First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s) +\$360						
					Subtotal	\$	600
:			Reduct	ion by ½ if sr	nall entity	-	
					TOTAL	\$	600

- $\boxtimes$  A fee of \$600 to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is enclosed.
- A check for \$600 to cover the above fee is enclosed.



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Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account 06-0916.

Dated: March 26, 2007

Wenye Tan Reg. No. 55,662

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## **AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Office Action mailed February 26, 2007, the period for response to which extends through May 26, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment section of this paper.

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